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## **Turks and Caicos Islands**

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# **Turks and Caicos Islands Import Permit Requirements**

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### **Report Highlights:**

U.S. suppliers should be aware that Turks and Caicos Islands (TCI) require that importers in TCI obtain an import permit for the importation of meat, poultry and dairy products. To avoid any issues with their shipments, U.S. exporters are advised to work closely with their importers in TCI to ensure that import permits for their shipments are issued in advance by the Animal Health Services Division of the TCI Department of Agriculture.

#### **General Information:**

The Caribbean Basin Agricultural Trade Office would like to remind U.S. suppliers that the Animal Health Services Division of the TCI Department of Agriculture requires that importers in TCI obtain an import permit for the importation of meat, poultry and dairy products. While the TCI import permit is not a requirement for the issuance of any U.S. export certificate, U.S. exporters are advised to work closely with their importers in TCI to ensure that import permits for their shipments are issued <u>in advance</u> by the Animal Health Services Division of the TCI Department of Agriculture.

Export requirements for meat and poultry products to TCI can be found on the USDA/FSIS Export Library: <a href="http://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsis/topics/international-affairs/exporting-products/export-library-requirements-by-country/Turks-Caicos-Islands">http://www.fsis.usda.gov/wps/portal/fsis/topics/international-affairs/exporting-products/export-library-requirements-by-country/Turks-Caicos-Islands</a>.

Similarly, export requirements for dairy products for human consumption, including imported products for reexport to TCI, can be found on APHIS' International Animal Product Export Regulations page for TCI: <a href="http://www.aphis.usda.gov/regulations/vs/iregs/products/downloads/tc\_dairy.pdf">http://www.aphis.usda.gov/regulations/vs/iregs/products/downloads/tc\_dairy.pdf</a>.